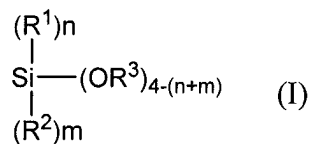


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

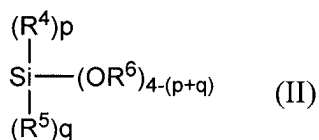
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A coating composition for forming a silica-containing film comprising (A) a hydrolyzate and/or partially condensed product of a compound represented by the following general formula (I) and a compound represented by the following general formula (II):



wherein R^1 represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group having 1 to 18 carbon atoms or an aryl group having 6 to 14 carbon atoms; R^2 represents an organic group having an unsaturated bond and 2 to 12 carbon atoms; R^3 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms; n is an integer ranging from 0 to 2; m is an integer ranging from 1 to 3, provided that n and m are selected such that they satisfy the following relation: $0 \leq n + m \leq 3$, $1 \leq n + m \leq 3$; and



wherein R^4 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 18 carbon atoms or an aryl group having 6 to 14 carbon atoms; R^5 represents a hydrogen atom; R^6 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 6

carbon atoms; and p and q are integers selected in such a manner that they satisfy the following relation: $0 \leq p + q \leq 3$;

(B) a solvent for coating; and

(C) at least one member selected from the group consisting of a void-forming solvent, ~~a compound having a polyalkylene oxide structure~~ and hollow polymer fine particles.

2. (currently amended): The coating composition for forming a silica-containing film as set forth in claim 1, wherein the component (C) ~~is~~ comprises a void-forming solvent.

3. (canceled).

4. (currently amended): The coating composition for forming a silica-containing film as set forth in claim 1, wherein the component (C) ~~is~~ comprises hollow polymer fine particles.

5. (currently amended): A method for forming a silica-containing film comprising the steps of applying a coating composition for forming a silica-containing film as set forth in any one of the foregoing claims ~~1 to 4~~ 1, 2 and 4 onto a base material and then drying the coated layer.

6. (currently amended): A silica-containing film obtained from a coating composition for forming a silica-containing film as set forth in any one of the foregoing claims ~~1 to 4~~ 1, 2 and 4.